



# Bitterroot National Forest

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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **"Closures for Public Safety during Helicopter operations on Skalkaho Timber Sale"**

Hamilton, Montana, August 16, 2007 — The Darby Ranger District of the Bitterroot National Forest will be closing an area, roads and portions of trail #510 along the ridge divide between Skalkaho Creek and Sleeping Child Creek for approximately 3 weeks. The closure is for public safety during helicopter logging operations associated with the Skalkaho Timber Sale.

#### **Area Description:**

Forest lands in T5N, R19W, Section 31, S ½ of Section 32 and S ½ of Section 33; and T4N, R19W, NW ¼ of Section 4 and N ½ Section 5, PMM.

#### **Road Description:**

Forest Development Roads 718, 13211 and 62803 in T5N, R19W, Section 31, S ½ of Section 32 and S ½ of Section 33; and T4N, R19W, NW ¼ of Section 4 and N ½ Section 5, PMM.

#### **Trail Description:**

Forest Development Trail 510 in T5N, R19W, Section 31, S ½ of Section 32 and S ½ of Section 33; and T4N, R19W, NW ¼ of Section 4 and N ½ Section 5, PMM.

The public is cautioned to drive slowly in the surrounding area and expect to meet log trucks on the Sleeping Child Road, Two Bears Road #720. For more information, contact the Darby Ranger District at 821-3913.

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